

SPORTING NEWS AND GOSSIP.

The Fencing Contest Between Yale, Harvard and Columbia.

The Joint Athletic Games Next Thursday.

Although little has been written about the Yale-Harvard-Columbia fencing contest to be held in this city this Spring, the event is, nevertheless, creating much interest in college and fencing circles. Representatives of the three colleges will meet in this city Saturday night to make final arrangements. The tournament will probably take place at the Racquet and Tennis Club, in West Forty-third street. The Racquet Club has signified its willingness to put up a trophy to become the property of the team winning it three times, so it is likely this event will become a fixture. Each college will be represented by a team of three men in this competition, and each contestant will fence with all his opponents, making six bouts for each man.

The rules which the collegians have agreed upon will be quite different from those which govern the competitions of the Amateur Fencers' League. The A. F. L. rules are not considered by the collegians as calculated to bring out a high enough order of fencing, so they will adopt the French system, which is considered better in every way. A jury of five men, instead of three, will judge the bouts. In the French system, there is no percentage, and form counts more than that of the fencer. Each bout will be of five minutes, and the fencer who wins the fencer score five points, which is the A. F. L. system.

The joint athletic games of the Pastime A. C. and Columbia College, to be held at the army March 25, give promise of being first rate. The Columbia College has a larger athletic club than any other in the city, and has been developing a good athletic team this year. The Columbia College has a larger athletic club than any other in the city, and has been developing a good athletic team this year.

Eugene Glanville, director of athletics of the New York A. C., has been up to the baton in putting the school. Hickok, evidently intends to master the new rules adopted by the International Athletic Association for throwing the hammer, as he is anxious to get Jim Mitchell to coach him in hammer throwing. Glanville thinks Hickok will do 55 feet with the hammer under the new rules.

"It is remarkable," says The Irish Cyclist, "that Johnson, or Johnson's name, brags much less about his undoubted skill in the hammer than about the more or less misty evolutions of his hammer. Evidently, the hammering performance is no longer a thing to brag about."

The following schedule has been adopted by the Athletic Association, A. C.:

April 5, Pittsburgh Athletic Club, April 7, Athletic Club, Schuylkill Navy, Philadelphia, April 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, May 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, June 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, July 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, August 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, September 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, October 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, November 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 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